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SUBJECT: ORIT-AFL/CIO DIFFERENCES REKINDLED

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1. ARTURO JAUREGUI, SEC GEN ORIT, TOLD LABATT ON SEPT. 19
THE FOLLOWING:

(1) GEORGE MEANY, DONALD MCDONALD-CCL-CANADA,
OTTO KERSTEN DGB-ICFTU, JOE BEIRNE CWA-US, LOVESTONE,
LEE, AND MCLELLAN OF AFL-CIO INTERNATIONAL OFFICE AND
JOSE AGUERIANO, ICFTU INTERPRETER, MET SEPT. 17 IN
WASHINGTON TO DISCUSS ORIT.

(2) ABOVE GROUP DECIDED ASK JAUREGUI RESIGN
VOLUNTARILY AND REPLACE HIM WITH INTERVENTOR UNTIL
MAY 1974 ORIT CONGRESS. THIS DECISION BASED ON
FINANCIAL CONDITION OF ORIT NOT IMPLYING DISHONESTY
BUT FAULTY ADMINISTRATION CONSIDERING DECREASING INCOME
COMPOUNDED BY RISING COST OF OPERATION.

(3) MCLELLAN OF AFL-CIO INFORMED JAUREGUI OF
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ABOVE DECISION BY TELECON ON SEPT.;17. MEYER OF DGB

TELEPHONED JAUREGUI SEPT. 18 FROM BRUSSELS TO ASK JAUREGUI REACTION. JAUREGUI TOLD BOTH THAT HE WOULD NOT RESIGN AND THAT SPECIAL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING ORIT SHOULD BE CONVENED. COMMENT: JAUREGUI FURIOUS OVER PRIVATE MEETING DECIDING HIS FATE AND FUTURE OF ORIT. HE FEELS BETRAYED BY MEANY FOR HOLDING MEETING WITHOUT HIS KNOWLEDGE AND FOR APPOINTING MCLELLAN TO RELAY MESSAGE.

(4) JAUREGUI SAID HE WILL TRY TO CALL A SPECIAL MEETING OF ORIT EXECUTIVE BOARD FOLLOWED BY EARLY CONGRESS. IF EXECUTIVE BOARD REPLACES HIM WITH INTERVENTOR HE WILL TAKE HIS CASE TO ORIT CONGRESS AS DELEGATE FROM CTP-PERU. IN ANY CASE JAUREGUI INTENDS PRESENT HIS POSITION TO ORIT EXBD.

2. COMMENT: LABATT NOT ABLE JUDGE SUPPORT FAVORING JAUREGUI IN OTHER LA COUNTRIES. UNLIKELY, CTM-MEXICO WOULD OPPOSE JAUREGUI. POSSIBLY CTM MAY REMAIN NEUTRAL IF OPEN POLEMIC DEVELOPS AND NOW APPEARS CERTAIN THAT AN LA VS. US LABOR CONTEST WILL TAKE PLACE.
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